

Transcription:

Dear friend!

The programme is
quite made up ; they had
to ask the same performers
that were already invited
last time when the "Fest"
did not come off. Thanks
all the same, and I look
forward to meeting you
and Miss Grist with much
pleasure, you may be sure!

In haste,
always sincerely
yours
Joseph

With envelope containing reference on front:
Telegram to Bismarck for his birthday from Joachim.

Transcription of text on rear of envelope in pencil (in Fanny
Davies' hand):

Fürst Bismarck
Friedrichs ruh, Germany.
Heil und ehrfurchtsvollen
gruss dem ausserordentlichen
Ehrensmitglieder des Vereins
Beethoven Haus. Joachim